

DOCKET NO: 243214US0X

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
TOSHIO TSUJIMOTO, ET AL. : EXAMINER: SONG, M.
SERIAL NO: 10/673,180 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1792
FILED: SEPTEMBER 30, 2003 : RCE FILED: SEPTEMBER 28, 2007
FOR: REINFORCING METHOD OF :
SILICA GLASS SUBSTANCE AND
REINFORCED SILICA GLASS
CRUCIBLE

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated December 31, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.